What Is Claimed Is:

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- A method for controlling and/or regulating a d.c. converter (13) for at least two electromagnetic valves (11, 12) of an internal combustion engine in a motor vehicle in particular, each valve (11, 12) being supplied with a current that is generated by the d.c. converter (13), wherein determination is made as to when the total currents supplied to the valves (11, 12) constitute a high load for the d.c. converter (13), and if this is the case, the d.c. converter (13) is influenced in the sense of better processing of the high load.
 - 2. The method as recited in Claim 1, wherein the currents to be supplied to the valves (11, 12) are determined as a function of the triggering provided for an output stage (20) upstream from the valves (11, 12).
- The method as recited in one of Claims 1 or 2, wherein the high load for the d.c. converter (13) is derived from
 overlapping currents of different valves (11, 12).
 - 4. The method as recited in one of the preceding claims, wherein the output voltage (U_B) of the d.c. converter (13) is increased in the case of a high load.
 - 5. The method as recited in Claim 4, wherein the output voltage (U_B) is controlled and/or regulated to a setpoint value $(U_{Bsetpoint})$, and the setpoint value $(U_{Bsetpoint})$ is increased.
- 30 6. The method as recited in one of the preceding claims, wherein the output power of the d.c. converter (13) is increased in the case of a high load.
- 7. The method as recited in one of Claims 4 through 6, the increase is already made before (T1) the occurrence of the high load.

- 8. The method as recited in one of Claims 4 through 7, wherein the increase is terminated as soon as (T2) the high load is terminated.
- 9. A computer program having program commands suitable for executing a method as recited in one of the preceding claims when the computer program is running on a computer.
- 10. A digital memory medium including a computer program10 having program commands suitable for executing a method as recited in one of the preceding claims.
 - 11. A device for controlling and/or regulating a d.c. converter (13) for at least two electromagnetic valves (11,
- 15 12) of an internal combustion engine in a motor vehicle in particular, a current generated by the d.c. converter (13) being able to be supplied to each valve (11, 12), wherein a control unit (19) determines when the total currents supplied to the valves (11, 12) represent a high load for the d.c.
- converter (13), and if this is the case, the d.c. converter (13) is influenced by the control unit (19) in the sense of better processing of the high load.